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DYNAMIC LORDOTIC GUARD WITH

MOVABLE EXTENSIONS FOR CREATING AN IMPLANTATION SPACE POSTERIORLY

IN THE LUMBAR SPINE (as amended)

Confirmation No.: 8412

Art Unit:

3732

Examiner: M. Priddy

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in reply to the Restriction Requirement dated December 31, 2003 in the above-identified application.

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- Applicant hereby requests a three-month extension of time to respond to the above office action. \boxtimes
- An Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 and 7 documents are enclosed. M

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